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# UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY

KATHERINE MORENO.					
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Plaintiff,

-against-

**COMPLAINT** 

NAVIENT SOLUTIONS, INC..

Defendant.

NOW COMES Plaintiff, KATHERINE MORENO ("Plaintiff"), by and through her attorneys, and hereby alleges the following against Defendant, NAVIENT SOLUTIONS, INC. ("Defendant"):

### Nature of the Action

Plaintiff's Complaint is based on the Telephone Consumer Protection Act 1. ("TCPA"), 47 U.S.C. § 227 et seq.

## **Parties**

- 2. Plaintiff is a natural person at all times relevant residing in Brick, New Jersey.
- 3. Defendant is a business entity with headquarters in Delaware.

4. Defendant acted though its agents, employees, officers, members, directors, heirs, successors, assigns, principals, trustees, sureties, subrogees, representatives and insurers.

#### Jurisdiction and Venue

- 5. This Court has subject matter jurisdiction of this action pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 227(b)(3) and 28 U.S.C. § 1331.
- 6. Venue is proper pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1391(b)(2) as the acts giving rise to Plaintiffs' cause of action occurred in this district as Plaintiff resides in this district and as Defendant transacts business in this district.

## **Factual Allegations**

- 7. Defendant places telephone calls to telephone number which is Plaintiff's cellular telephone.
  - 8. These calls are not for emergency purposes.
  - 9. These calls were to collect payments on a student loan.
- 10. Upon information and good faith belief, and in light of the frequency, number, nature, and character of these calls, Defendant placed them by using an automatic telephone dialing system.
- 11. On or about May 3, 2016 at approximately 7:22 p.m., Plaintiff received a call from Defendant on her cell phone and spoke with one of Defendant's employees, an individual identifying herself as Susan Condron.
  - 12. Defendant placed this call from telephone number (617) 762-5954.
  - 13. Plaintiff instructed Defendant to stop calling her cell phone.
- 14. Plaintiff revoked any consent for Defendant to use an automatic telephone dialing system to call her cell phone.

- 15. Defendant continued to use an automatic telephone dialing system to call Plaintiff's cell phone after May 3, 2016.
- 16. Since May 3, 2016, Defendant called Plaintiff's cell phone at least two-hundred forty (240) times.
  - 17. Defendant used an automatic telephone dialing system to place these calls.
  - 18. Defendant placed these calls voluntarily.
  - 19. Defendant placed these calls under its own free will.
- 20. Defendant had knowledge that it was using an automatic telephone dialing system to place these calls.
- 21. Defendant willfully used an automatic telephone dialing system to place these calls.
  - 22. Defendant did not have Plaintiff's express consent to place these calls.
  - 23. Defendant knew it did not have Plaintiff's express consent to place these calls.
  - 24. Plaintiff is annoyed and feels harassed by Defendant's calls.

# <u>CLAIM FOR RELIEF</u> <u>Telephone Consumer Protection Act</u>

- 25. Defendant's actions alleged *supra* constitute numerous negligent violations of the TCPA, entitling Plaintiff to an award of \$500.00 in statutory damages for each and every violation pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 227(b)(3)(B).
- 26. Defendant's actions alleged *supra* constitute numerous and multiple knowing and/or willful violates of the TCPA, entitling Plaintiffs to an award of \$1500.00 in statutory damages for each and every violation pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 227(b)(3)(B) and 47 U.S.C. § 227(b)(3)(C).

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WHEREFORE, Plaintiff prays that judgment be entered against Defendant for the

following:

1) Statutory damages of \$500.00 for each and every negligent violation of the TCPA

pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § (b)(3)(B);

2) Statutory damages of \$1500.00 for each and every knowing and/or willful

violation of the TCPA pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § (b)(3)(b) and 47 U.S.C. § (b)(3)(C);

3) All court costs, witness fees and other fees incurred; and

4) Awarding such other and further relief as may be just, proper and equitable.

Certification Pursuant to Local Rule 11.2

Pursuant to Local Rule 11.2, I certify that this matter in controversy is not the subject of

any other action pending in any court, arbitration, or administrative proceeding.

Dated: September 8, 2016 RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

By: /s/ Michael Siddons

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